

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert the enclosed initial Sequence Listing.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 25 as follows:

Figure 13 is a representation showing the cDNA ~~and predicted amino acid sequence~~ of mouse Blimp-1/PRDM-1. The coding sequence is shown in upper case (SEQ ID NO: 1).

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 28 as follows:

Figure 14 (SEQ ID NO: 2) is a representation showing the amino acid sequence of mouse blimp-1/PRDM-1 derived from the nucleotide sequence (upper case) in Figure 13.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 14, line 1 as follows:

Figure 15 is a representation showing the cDNA ~~and predicted amino acid sequence~~ of human Blimp-1/PRDM-1. The coding sequence is shown in upper case (SEQ ID NO: 3).

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 14, line 4 as follows:

Figure 16 (SEQ ID NO: 4) is a representation showing the amino acid sequence of human Blimp-1/PRDM-1 derived from the nucleotide sequence (upper case) in Figure 15.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 14, line 7 as follows:

Figure 17 is a representation showing the genomic nucleotide sequence of mouse *Blimp-1* (SEQ ID NO: 5). The genomic locus comprises 8 exons in bold upper case. ATG and stop codons are underlined.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 14, line 11 as follows:

Figure 18 is a representation showing the genomic nucleotide sequence of human *Blimp-1* (SEQ ID NO: 6). The genomic locus comprises 8 exons in upper case, bold. ATG and stop codons are underlined.